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SUBJECT: ANTICIPATED DIRECT HIRE MANPOWER REQUIREMENTS

1. AS POSTS ARE AWARE, A NUMBER OF AID PERSONNEL HAVE BEEN DISPLACED BY THE RECENT EVENTS IN INDO-CHINA. IF POSITIONS CANNOT BE FOUND WITHIN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE FOR THESE EMPLOYEES MANY WILL HAVE TO BE SEPARATED FROM THE AGENCY. THE AGENCY WILL BE THE LOOSER, IF SKILLED PERSONNEL ARE SEPARATED NOW WHO MIGHT BE NEEDED IN THE NEAR FUTURE. THIS IS PARTICULARLY TRUE IN THE CWR AREA WHERE MANY NEW PROJECTS NOW IN THE DESIGN STAGE WILL NEED SKILLED PERSONNEL OVER THE NEXT FEW MONTHS. IT IS OUR INTENTION TO REQUEST ADDITIONAL CEILINGS AT THIS TIME FOR DIRECT HIRE STAFF WHO MAY BE NEEDED BY FIELD POSTS BETWEEN NOW AND DECEMBER 30TH AND TO BEGIN RECRUITMENT IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER. THIS IS NOT TOO LONG A LEAD TIME CONSIDERING

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REQUIREMENTS FOR LEAVE BRIEFINGS AND LANGUAGE TRAINING.

WE ARE AWARE OF NEW PROJECTS WHICH HAVE ALREADY BEEN INCLUDED IN THE FY 76 CP. WE ARE UNAWARE, HOWEVER, OF PROJECTS WHICH THE FIELD MAY BE PROPOSING IN THE ABS DUE IN AID/W JUNE. ACTION POSTS ARE REQUESTED IN ADVANCE OF SUBMISSION OF THE ABS, TO PROJECT YOUR DIRECT HIRE MANPOWER NEEDS THROUGH DECEMBER 1975.

2. FOR RDO/DAKAR, IN ADDITION TO THE PRESENT CEILING, 17 AMERICANS, INCLUDING ONE IN GAMBIA, WE WILL BE ADDING THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS:

A.- PROJECT MANAGER - GUINEA AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION TO BE STATIONED IN GUINEA.

B.- REGIONAL AND SENEGAL HEALTH OFFICER - APPROVED BY DR. ADAMS AS PART OF RESPONSE TO NEW CONGRESSIONAL MANDATE.

C.- OMVS PROGRAM OFFICER, ENGINEER AND SECRETARY - PRESENTLY IN AN ACTION MEMO BEFORE THE AID/DAA.

REQUEST YOUR PRIORITY COMMENTS AND ADDITIONS.

3. FOR CDO/MAURITANIA,

A.- WE ARE NOT PROPOSING TO MAKE ANY ADDITIONS TO THE PRESENT CEILING OF 5 AMERICANS. WITH REGARD TO THE ASSISTANT PROGRAM OFFICER ASSIGNED IN STATE 105528, AND IN VIEW OF NOUAKCHOTT 987, THAT POSITION IS BEING WITHDRAWN. POSITION HAD BEEN ASSIGNED TO MAURITANIA IN CONSIDERATION OF INCREASED FIELD WORKLOAD ANTICIPATED WITH THE PHASING OUT OF THE CWR PROGRAM OFFICE AND ANTICIPATED INCREASE IN MAURITANIA PROGRAM. WOULD APPRECIATE VIEWS RDO/DAKAR THIS MATTER REQUESTED IN NOUAKCHOTT 987, WHETHER RDO CAN PROVIDE THESE SERVICES OR WHETHER ADDITIONAL STAFF NEEDED BY RDO.

B.- REQUEST ADVICE ON HOW CDO PLANS MANAGE MAURITANIA RANGE AND LIVESTOCK PROJECT. THERE ARE NOW NO AGRICULTURE OFFICERS SCHEDULED FOR MAURITANIA. WE UNDERSTAND RDO/DAKAR PROBABLY WOULD NOT AGREE TO MANAGE THIS PROJECT FOR CDO. ALSO REQUEST VIEWS RDO THIS MATTER.

4. POST SHOULD TAKE NEW STAFF POSITIONS INTO ACCOUNT IN PREPARING FY 76 MOB. KISSINGER

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